



STATE OF NEW MEXICO **EXECUTIVE OFFICE** SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

# *Proclamation*

*WHEREAS, from time to time we renew our commitment to preserving our resources by recycling and using products made with recycled materials; and*

*WHEREAS, recycling has become one of the most successful environmental initiatives in our Nation's history; and*

*WHEREAS, these efforts are helping to safeguard our environment by reducing the need for landfills; and*

*WHEREAS, at home and in school, parents and teachers can educate children – and adults – about the benefits of recycling and the importance of caring for our environment; and*

*WHEREAS, by purchasing products made from recycled materials, New Mexico consumers provide economic incentives for businesses to collect, produce and market more products that are recycled and recyclable; and*

*WHEREAS, New Mexico strives to meet or exceed the national average of a 32 percent recycling rate; and*

*WHEREAS, the New Mexico Recycling Coalition leads a campaign for 33 percent recycling by the year 2012; and*


*WHEREAS, on the day our Nation celebrates America Recycles Day – November 15 – I encourage New Mexicans to rededicate themselves to using our resources more wisely by recycling and reusing materials they purchase;*

*NOW, THEREFORE I, Bill Richardson, Governor of the State of New Mexico, do hereby proclaim November 15, 2008 as:*

## *“New Mexico Recycling Awareness Day”*

*throughout the State of New Mexico.*

Attest:

  
Mary Herrera  
Secretary of State



Done at the Executive Office this  
20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2008.

Witness my hand and the Great Seal  
of the Great State of New Mexico

  
Bill Richardson  
Governor